Senate Bill No. 26

CHAPTER 65

An act to amend Section 19568 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to horseracing.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 26, Maddy. California-bred races.

Existing law requires every licensee conducting a horseracing meeting to provide for the running of at least one race each racing day limited to California-bred horses, to be known as the "California-bred race." Existing law declares the intent of the Legislature that racing associations achieve a goal of distributing at least 10% of the total stakes purses for the racing meeting as purses for California restricted stakes racing.

This bill would require the total amount distributed to horsemen and horsewomen for California-bred stakes races from the purse account to be not less than 10% of the total amount distributed for all stakes races from the purse account at that racing meeting.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 19568 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

19568. (a) Every licensee conducting a horseracing meeting shall, each racing day, provide for the running of at least one race limited to California-bred horses, to be known as the "California-bred race." If, however, sufficient competition cannot be had among horses of that class on any day, the race, with the consent of the board, may be eliminated for that day and a substitute race provided.

- (b) The total amount distributed to horsemen and horsewomen for California-bred stakes races from the purse account, including overnight stakes, shall be not less than 10 percent of the total amount distributed for all stakes races from the purse account, including overnight stakes races, at that meeting of the racing association licensed to conduct live racing.
- (c) It is the intent of the Legislature that the thoroughbred racing associations in this state, in conjunction with the official registering agency, and owners and trainers organizations meet and report to the board on the establishment of a coordinated California-bred restricted schedule of stakes races designed showcase California-bred restricted stakes races and qualify registered

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California-bred horses for the California Cup and the California Cup Day races. It is also the intent of the Legislature that the report be submitted to the board by March 1, 1997, and annually thereafter at least 60 days prior to the start of the racing year.